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PATENT APPLICATION
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IN THE
UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Inventor(s): Lawrence Dwyer

Confirmation No.: 8496

Application No.: 09/706,914

Examiner: Nahar, Qamrun

Filing Date: Nov. 6, 2000

Group Art Unit: 2124

Title: SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR A SOFTWARE RECOVERY MECHANISM

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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR RESPONSE/AMENDMENT

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Transmitted herewith is/are the following in the above-identified application:

- (X) Response/Amendment () Petition to extend time to respond
(X) New fee as calculated below () Supplemental Declaration
() No additional fee (Address envelope to "Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment")
() Other: _____ (fee \$ _____)

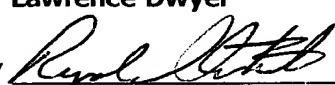
| CLAIMS AS AMENDED BY OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY | | | | | | |
|------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------------------------|-------------------------|-------------|---------------------------|
| (1) FOR | (2) CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT | (3) NUMBER EXTRA | (4) HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR | (5) PRESENT EXTRA | (6) RATE | (7) ADDITIONAL FEES |
| TOTAL CLAIMS | 23 | MINUS | 20 | = 3 | X \$18 | \$ 54 |
| INDEP. CLAIMS | 3 | MINUS | 4 | = 0 | X \$86 | \$ 0 |
| [] FIRST PRESENTATION OF A MULTIPLE DEPENDENT CLAIM | | | | | + \$290 | \$ 0 |
| EXTENSION FEE | 1ST MONTH \$110.00 | 2ND MONTH \$420.00 | 3RD MONTH \$950.00 | 4TH MONTH \$1480.00 | | \$ 0 |
| OTHER FEES | | | | | | \$ |
| TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT | | | | | | \$ 54 |

Charge \$ 54 to Deposit Account 08-2025. At any time during the pendency of this application, please charge any fees required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account 08-2025 pursuant to 37 CFR 1.25. Additionally please charge any fees to Deposit Account 08-2025 under 37 CFR 1.16 through 1.21 inclusive, and any other sections in Title 37 of the Code of Federal Regulations that may regulate fees. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

Lawrence Dwyer

By



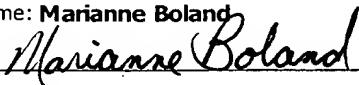
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Sir:

The outstanding final Office Action mailed *October 23, 2003* (Paper No. 6) has been carefully considered. In response thereto, please enter the following amendments in which claims 1-20 are canceled and claims 21-43 are added. Claims 21-43 are now pending in the present application. Reconsideration and allowance of the application and presently pending claims, as amended, are respectfully requested.

AUTHORIZATION TO DEBIT ACCOUNT

It is believed that no extensions of time or fees for net addition of claims are required, beyond those which may otherwise be provided for in documents accompanying this paper. However, in the event that additional extensions of time are necessary to allow consideration of this paper, such extensions are hereby petitioned under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), and any fees required therefor (including fees for net addition of claims) are hereby authorized to be charged to deposit account no. 08-2025.

REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION

In accordance with 37 U.S.C. 1.114, a Request For Continued Examination (RCE) is filed concurrently with this Response To The Final Office Action so that the Office Action mailed October 23, 2003 (Paper No. 6) is effectively made non-final. Under 37 U.S.C. 1.114, the effect of the RCE, which makes the instant Office Action non-final, is to cause examination of the instant application to remain open. Accordingly, amendments and new claims submitted herein are to be entered as a matter of right, and each claim is entitled to continued examination.